The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to you today as a current satellite TV subscriber who would like to add my voice of objection to the pending merger of EchoStar and DIRECTV. The combination of these two satellite providers will create a monopoly in this expanding area of technology where free-market competition will provide the greatest benefit to all consumers.

By merging, the combined company threatens to remove Christian broadcasts and other programs that support family values, in favor of 'adult' programming that has proven to be a detriment to our society and the values upon which the USA was founded. Throughout rural areas of the country, people will now be dependent on satellite TV as their only source of programming, but will be restricted to the programs that the merged company (the ONLY satellite company) decides to carry.

In the interest of improving our access to competitive television and Internet service, I urge you to oppose this merger.

Sincerely,

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